

The exterior work described in this Capitol Renovation and Repair Bulletin represents only a very small portion of the total critical repair needs of the Idaho State Capitol Building.

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Drainage Work to be Completed – Soon

Heavy equipment arrived on site early last week to begin excavating dirt from the north side of the Capitol Building to prepare for the installation of a new catch basin/sediment vault. This is one part of the work designed to enhance drainage around the building to protect it from further water damage— hopefully for at least another 100 years.

Jan Frew, Design and Construction Manager, says progress has been positive, despite the rain. In fact, late last week the subcontractor, RSCI, mobilized to the southeast side (front) of the building to excavate for installation of a new catch basin/sediment vault there, as well. This portion of the work will require the southeast main entrance of the building to be closed temporarily. This is the entrance just east of the portico drive.

All drainage work is scheduled to be complete by the end of November or early December. Until then, thank you for your tolerance with the sounds of engines revving, back-up beepers beeping, and the large piles of dirt and construction fencing adorning the Capitol grounds.



Work to be Light until Spring

The next major phase of this exterior repair project—stone repairs, skylights, parapets and roof replacements—will be initiated next spring. A noticeable activity during the next three months, however, will be masonry preparation work. Workers will be measuring and identifying masonry so that replacement stones can be ordered in time for work to begin early next spring.

This three-month timeframe will also allow for refinishing the granite base that runs along the ground level of the building's perimeter.

Again, we appreciate your patience during this portion of the repair process.

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